

Chem 112B Midterm 3

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8:10–9:30 am, 100 Lewis

You have **80 minutes** to complete this exam. Please write your answers clearly only on the pages indicated *and be as detailed as possible*. Nothing written outside the numbered pages will be graded. There should be 9 total pages in this exam.

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Question

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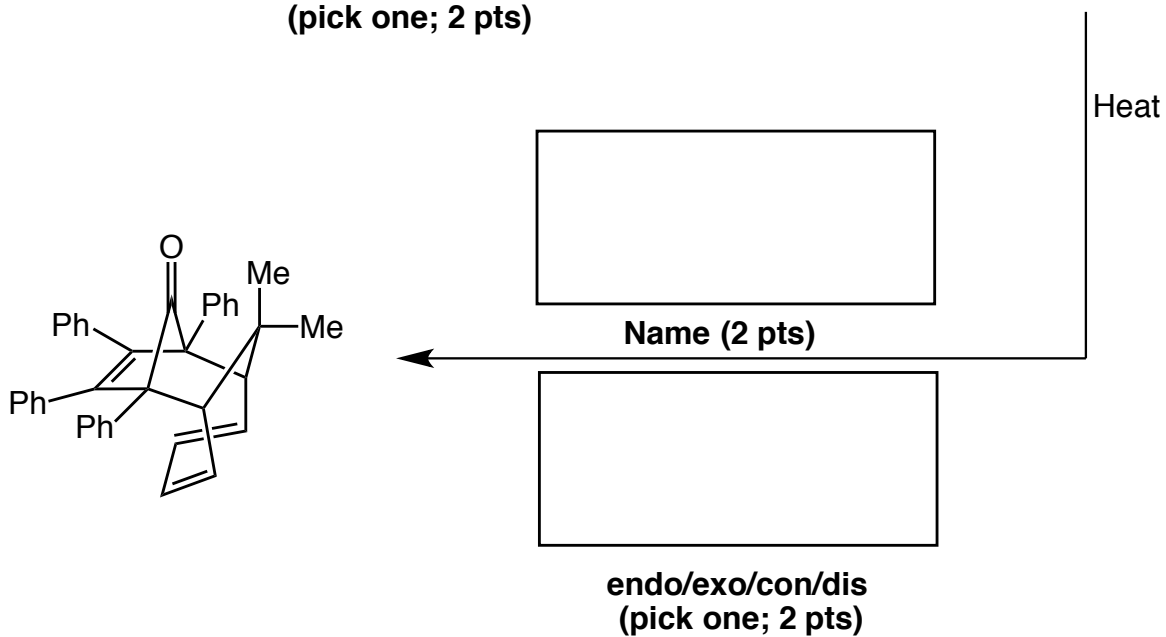
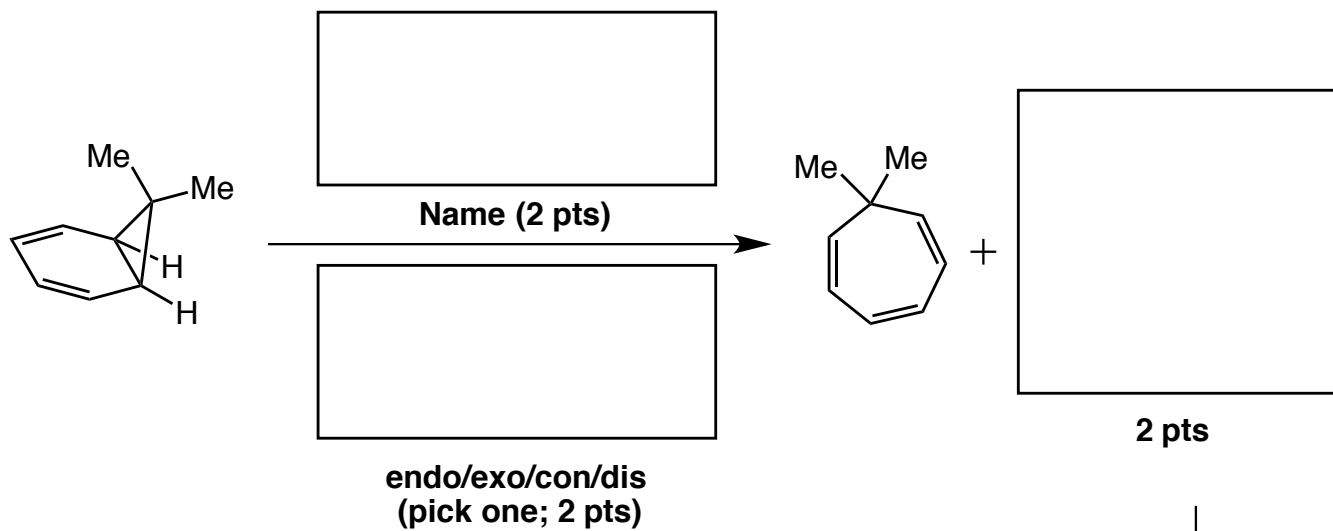
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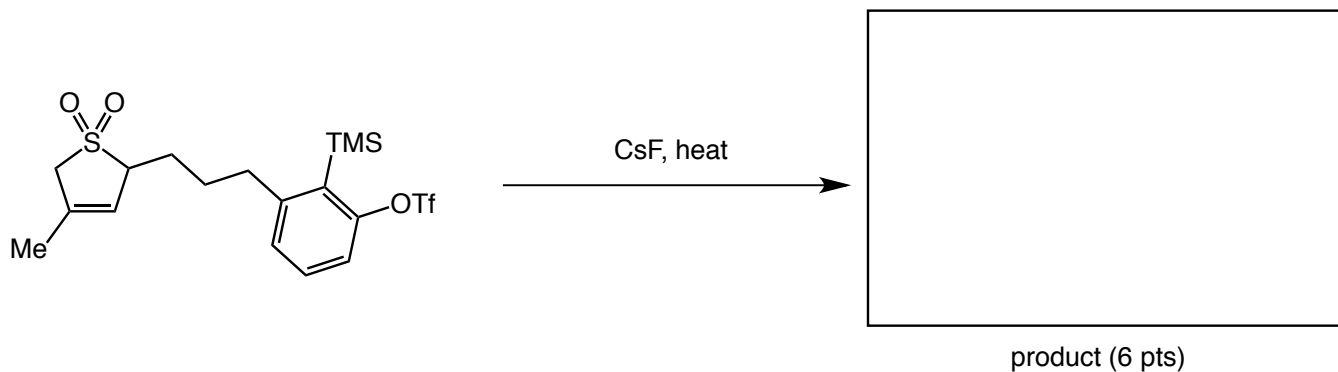
Question 1 (10 points):

Fill in the following boxes for the sequence of pericyclic processes that involve only the addition of heat. Be specific with the number of electrons (e.g., $[m+n]$, $[x,y]$, $n\pi$) involved in each process



Question 2 (12 points):

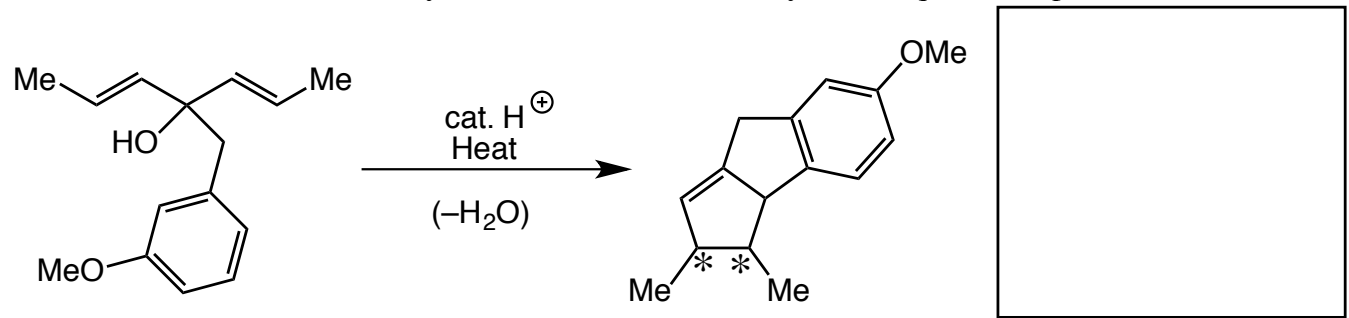
Predict the product of the following reaction and show the mechanism for its formation knowing that it involves a cheletropic reaction. Indicate the cheletropic step in your mechanism and also show byproducts.



Mechanism (6 points):

Question 3 (15 points):

(a) Redraw the product shown below, indicating the stereochemistry at the asterisked positions for one enantiomer. This is a Nazarov cyclization/Friedel-Crafts alkylation sequence. (4 pts).

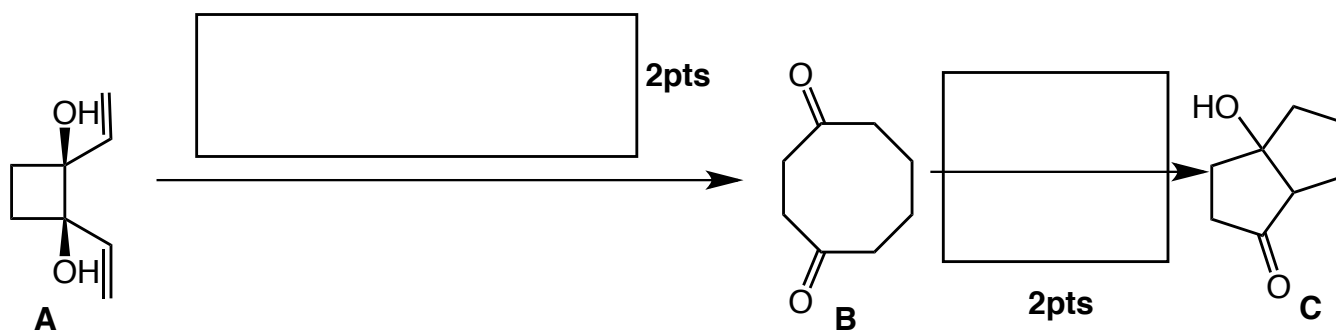


product with stereochem.
(4 pts)

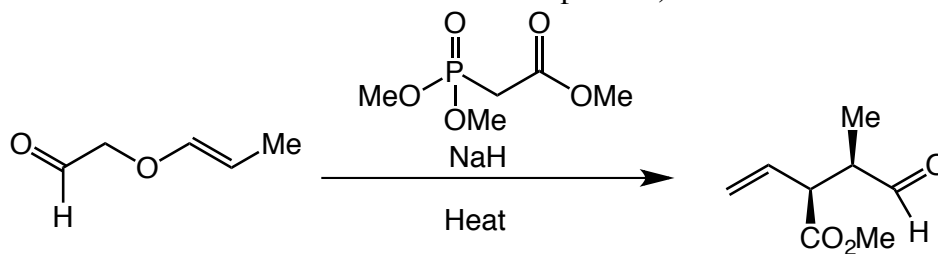
(b) Provide a rationalization for the stereochemistry you indicated in Part (a) using a drawing of the molecular orbital involved and up to 3 additional figures and 3 sentences (11 pts).

Question 4 (15 Points):

(a) Provide the **names** associated with the two transformations that convert **A** to **B** (upon heating) and then **B** to **C** in the boxes provided below (4 pts).

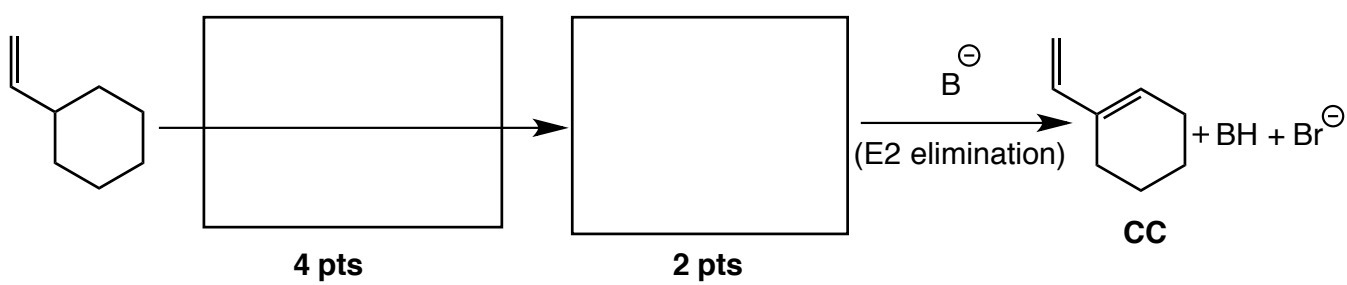
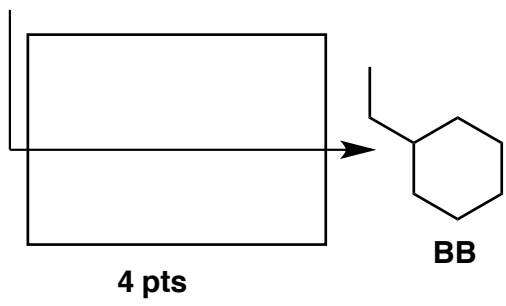
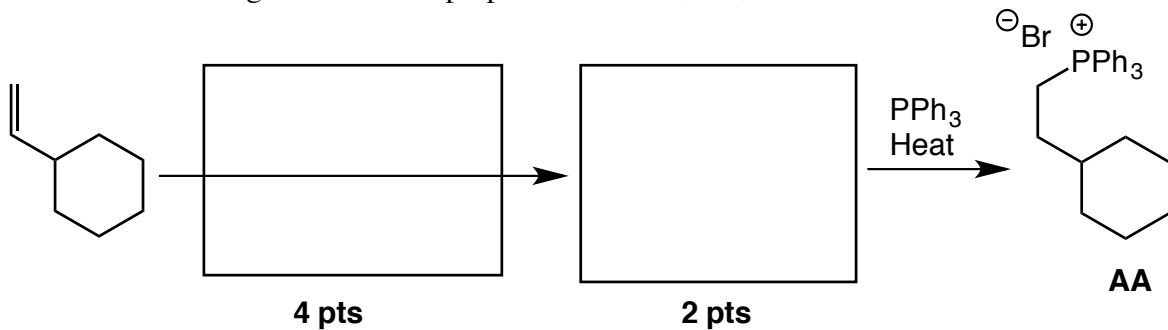


(b) Provide a mechanism for the transformation shown below and rationalize the stereochemical outcome given that the transformation involves a Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons (HWE) reaction (11 pts) (don't show the mechanism for the formation of the HWE product)



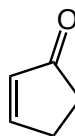
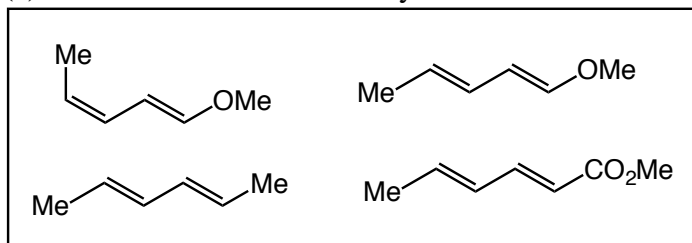
Question 5 (16 points):

Fill in the following boxes for the preparation of **AA**, **BB**, and **CC** that involve radical reactions.



Question 6 (14 pts)

(a) Circle the diene that is likely to react fastest with the dienophile that is shown below (2 pts).



dienophile

(b) Using no more than 4 figures and 4 sentences, provide a rationalization for your answer to Part (a) (4 pts)

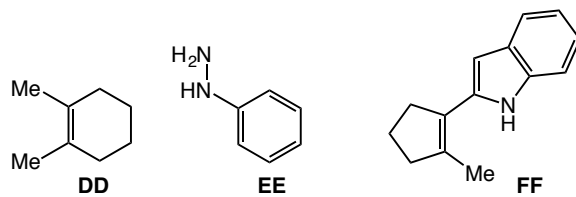
(c) Show the kinetic product that is formed in Part 6(a) in the box below (2pts). Using no more than 4 sentences and 4 figures, provide a rationalization for the stereochemical and regiochemical outcome of your answer (6 pts).



product with stereochem.
(2 pts)

Question 7 (18 points):

Provide a synthesis of **FF** given **DD** and **EE** as starting materials. (Hint: a Fischer indolization is involved).



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